

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3521
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DEVELOPMENT OF VIRGIN COAL BLOCKS
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Southern Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) proposes to develop 26 virgin coal blocks;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the extent to which the production capacity of the SECL may help to bridge the gap between demand and supply?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA)

(a): 26 coal blocks/project have been identified in South Eastern Coalfields Limited area envisaged for taking up during XI Plan period.

(b): The details of the blocks are given below:

Sl. No.	Name of project	Reserve in Mi	Grade
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1.	Kusmunda & Expansion OC	499.13	E-F
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2.	Gevra & Expansion OC	975.00	E-F
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3.	Dipka & Expansion OC	617.00	E-F
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4.	KartaliEastOC	61.41	C-D
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5.	Raj West OC	167.62	D-F
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6.	Vijay East OC	58.00	C-D
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7.	Batura OC	35.00	C-D
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8.	Mahan III & IV OC	55.00	C-D
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9. Pelma OC 235.00 B-G
10. Chintapani OC 100.00 E-F
11. Raj East OC Being assessed E-F
12. Porda OC Being assessed E-F
13. Jampali OC 31.30 D-F
14. Bijari OC 35.10 D-F
15. Ambika OC 39.37 B-F
16. Pathakpur UG 74.43 B-E
17. Jamdai UG Being assessed
18. Gumgara UG Being assessed
19. Bakulmuni UG 25.23 B-C
20. Amba UG Being assessed
21. Durgapur OC 76.40 D-G
22. Bodri/Bodri North UG 72.14 C-D
23. Badauli Extension UG 41.94 C-D
24. Amritdhara UG, 23.22 B
25. ChengaraOC 14.33 G/UG
26. Janyahi OC 19.66 B-E

Project/blocks indicated in Sl. No. 1 to 3 are not virgin, but expansion blocks.

Blocks indicated in Sl. No. 25 & 26 are not being considered for development at present due to poor quality.

(c): The production capacity of SECL is proposed to be enhanced from a level of 88.50 Mt during the terminal year of X Plan i.e. 2006-07 to 111.00 Mt during the terminal year of XI Plan i.e. 2011-12.